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Subject: Monthly Activity Report, June 1946
 To: Director, SSU
 From: Chief, Operational Auxiliaries Branch
 Re: Chief, Communications Division

COMMUNICATIONS UNIT

During the month of June the reorganization of the Communications Division was completed in accordance with General Order #13. As a result of the reorganization the Division now consists of the following sections: The Administrative Office, The Message Center, and Signal Security Control, Operations, Research and Engineering, and Supply Sections. All previous functions are maintained, though on a reduced basis, under the new personnel ceiling of 23. The reduction in the Message Center is based on an average traffic volume of 3,000 groups per day. Any material increase in traffic will necessitate proportionate increase in Message Center personnel. Requests for military personnel as requested.

On the basis of initial contacts made by the Director, SSU, with the Chief, Naval Communications, a formal request was submitted for specific assistance on the following points:

1. Establishment of technical liaison on common communications research problems.
2. Exchange of current and future traffic routing diagrams.

A. Personnel. The Communications Division no longer maintains a Personnel Section as such. Residual functions are now performed by the Administrative Staff in the Executive Office in cooperation with Personnel Division, SSU. With the establishment of an agency policy on recruiting, processing, and administration of personnel consistent with the reorganization, it is expected that the efficiency of handling personnel matters will be improved. Serious delays have been experienced in the transportation of radio operators and crypta-

All field stations will receive during the first two weeks of July a completely revised standing operating procedure which will clarify the work of the field station in relation to Washington.

The training unit of the Signal Security Control Section trained 10 cipher clerks assigned to Continental USA and/or overseas installations and in addition provided special communications training to 9 persons from the operational branches.

D. Supply. Final arrangements have now been completed to ship three 2.5-hp gasoline driven generators through Calcutta to the Delhi area in India. The generators will be used in connection with communications transmitters provided by this Division at an earlier date.

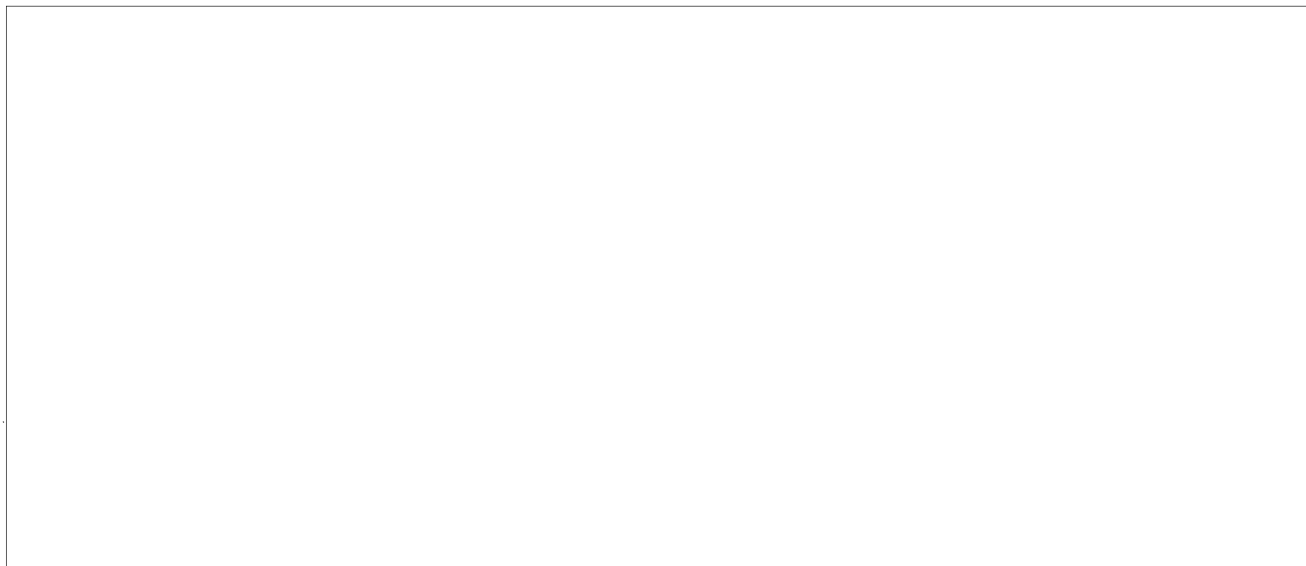
25X1 Due to changes in the physical facilities available to CSU at [] it is impossible to effect the consolidation of the 25X1 Communications Warehouse at [] with the CSU Warehouse at [] as mentioned in the May report.

E. Message Center. The Cable Control unit was merged with the Processing unit of the Message Center and a completely revised cable procedure was put into effect immediately.

After the general decrease in overall traffic in April and May, traffic increased from 255,033 to 275,725 groups during the month of June.

Attached is a sheet showing total volume of traffic handled by the Washington Message Center for the period 1 - 30 June.

ILLEGIB



25X1 [redacted]
25X1 Two cryptographic clerks have left [redacted] and were replaced during the month of June by newly trained personnel from Washington. Traffic volume has continued at a normal level.

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The Communications staff now consists of two clerks who have thus far been able to handle all traffic to and from [redacted]

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An excellent report has been received from [redacted] covering activities during the month of June. Mr. [redacted] arrived on 9 June as a replacement for [redacted] who is due to return to Washington early July. A marked increase in traffic has been noted and in addition the Message Center has been asked to take back the pouch service which it had relinquished in April. It is expected that one of the secretaries assigned to the mission will receive code training and assist 25X1 [redacted] in encipherment and decipherment of 25X1 [redacted] traffic. The 25X1 [redacted] closed 27 June 1946 and the only remaining station, [redacted] will close the 4th of July.

NEAR EAST

25X1 [redacted] Communications code clerk [redacted] left for the States on 30 June 1946. Her replacement is being trained at the present time by the Signal Security Control Section of Communications

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25X1 The supply situation is very favorable and the [redacted] has been able to provide all repair items needed to maintain present equipment in operation.

The establishment of the proposed 6 to 8 additional stations is partially dependent upon the arrival of additional personnel from Washington. All necessary arrangements have been made to establish communications and a school has been organized to train agent operators for field use. The course of instruction covers all phases of communications and includes a course in the maintenance of equipment for field use.

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Chief, Communications Division

Attachments (2)

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